

# CITY OF KINGSTON

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Steven T. Noble  
Mayor



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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **Mayor Steve Noble Accepts Alderman's Resignation, Prepares to Appoint New 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Alderperson**

On Monday, Mayor Noble confirmed the resignation of Brad Will, Alderman of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward. Mayor Noble accepted the resignation, effective April 8<sup>th</sup>, and expressed gratitude to Mr. Will for his time served on the Common Council.

"I want to thank Brad for his years of service as Alderman of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward," Mayor Noble stated. "Brad has made significant contributions in this role, particularly in the areas of historic preservation and environmental stewardship. I wish him the very best in his future endeavors."

Mr. Will's letter of resignation references the challenges those serving as part-time elected officials may face while pursuing their designated career professions.

"Kingston is a small city, one that presents a significant opportunity to engage with local residents and business owners directly, and a unique challenge to avoid perceived or actual conflicts of interest," Mayor Noble stated. "I believe that the Council should be made up of residents with experience and expertise in a variety of relevant fields and that local business professionals should have the opportunity to serve in this capacity, as their perspectives are vital in the Council's process. It is critical that all public servants effectively represent their constituents and that systems are in place to identify any external factors which may impact this service. I am confident that we as a community will successfully navigate this process."

As determined in Article XIII: Common Council of the City of Kingston Charter, "*If a vacancy occurs among the Aldermen, such vacancy shall be filled through appointment by the Mayor for the residue of the term, unless otherwise provided by law,*" Mayor Noble must now appoint a Ward 3 resident to fill the vacant seat. In an effort to select an individual who possesses the necessary qualifications, skills, experience and availability to fulfill this role for the remainder of this term, Mayor Noble will appoint an individual following a short series of interviews.

"My primary focus is on selecting a replacement who can represent the constituents of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward in an effective manner and who can bring with them the knowledge, skills and expertise Brad so passionately contributed. While this may feel like a time of uncertainty, I am committed to ensuring the people of Ward 3 will soon be represented by an individual who reflects their values and comprehensively vocalizes their concerns. I am aware of how critical this decision is and it will not be made lightly."

To be considered, individuals must be at least 18 years old, have their primary residence in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward, and must immediately send a cover letter and resume to:

**By mail or hand delivery:**

City Hall  
420 Broadway  
Kingston, N.Y. 12402

**By fax:**

845-334-3904  
(preferred method)

**By e-mail:**

[mayor@kingston-ny.gov](mailto:mayor@kingston-ny.gov)  
(preferred method)

Resumes will be accepted until close of business on Wednesday, April 13th.

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